Report of the Ethanol Working Group

Non-Petroleum Fuel Working Group Conference

California Energy Commission Sacramento, California October 12, 2004

ETOH Working Group Participation

- Major Oil Companies BP, ChevronTexaco, Tesoro
- Independent Oil Companies -. Interstate Oil Co., Silvas Oil Co.
- Auto Manufacturers Ford, Daimler Chrysler, General Motors
- Fuels development coalitions California Renewable Fuels Partnership, E-Diesel Consortium
- Fuels development Pure Fuels Inc., O2 Diesel Inc.
- Environmental groups NRDC, REAP, Bluewater Network
- State agencies Energy Commission, Air Resources Board Department of Food and Agriculture
- Investment/Finance First Southwest Company
- Common Carrier (pipeline) Kinder Morgan
- Industry Association Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, Western States Petroleum Association (monitor only), Renewable Fuels Association

Status of Activities

- Four group teleconferences
- Three options chosen E-85 and other "FFV" fuels, E-diesel, and ethanol in California reformulated gasoline
- Subcommittee process emerging
- Barrier identification process
- Actions to overcome barrier
- Business-as-usual and aggressive scenario building for 2010, 2015, and 2020
- Consensus on Actions-to-Overcome barriers ongoing

Application categories

- Ethanol use in Flexible Fuel Vehicles (FFVs) in the form of E-85 (85 % ethanol plus gasoline) or at lower ethanol content "FFV" fuel (30 to 40%)
- As the blending component in California Reformulated Gasoline (CaRFG) – 0 to 10 %
- As a blending component in diesel fuel limited to onroad fleets and off-road heavy duty diesel engines
- Possible future use of ethanol as a source of hydrogen for fuel cell applications